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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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**TITLE:** Methods and Apparatus for Query Rewrite with  
Auxiliary Attributes in Query Processing Operations

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Enclosed are the following papers relating to the above-named application for patent:

Application - 9 pages of Specification, 4 pages of Claims and 1 page of Abstract  
6 Sheets of informal drawing(s)  
Declaration and Power of Attorney  
Assignment and Recordation Form Cover Sheet

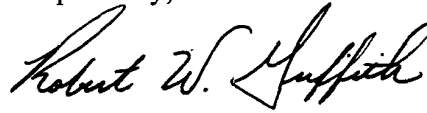
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	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
Total Claims	21-20 =	1	x \$18 =	\$18
Independent Claims	3-3 =	0	x \$84 =	\$0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if applicable			\$280 =	\$0
Basic Fee				\$750
TOTAL FEE:				\$768

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